Ding
dong!
It's
A-A-Andr–
It's *him*!

How do
I look?

If it turns out that
I'm *overdressed* I'll
kill you!

Oh come on,
open the door,
you silly!

Andreas...

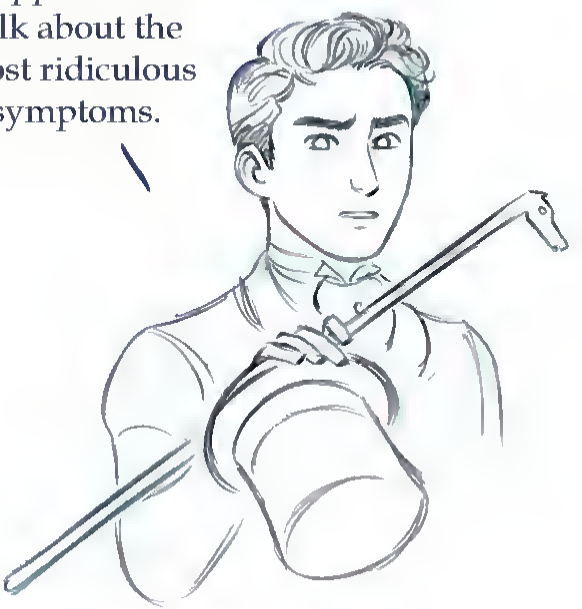
Hello...

Good evening,
Cati.

Haha!
Rebeca wasn't
exaggerating.

I'm so sorry for being late.

A patient stopped me to talk about the most ridiculous symptoms.



I brought you some violets, I hope they are to your liking.

Oh, you shouldn't have. Thank you, they're beautiful.

May I wear
one in my
lapel?

O-of
course!

Here.

Sniff,
sniff.
Hm...
chestnuts, rain, and
blackberries. This isn't
"Old school delights",
what is it?
"Winter
adventures".
Do you like
it?

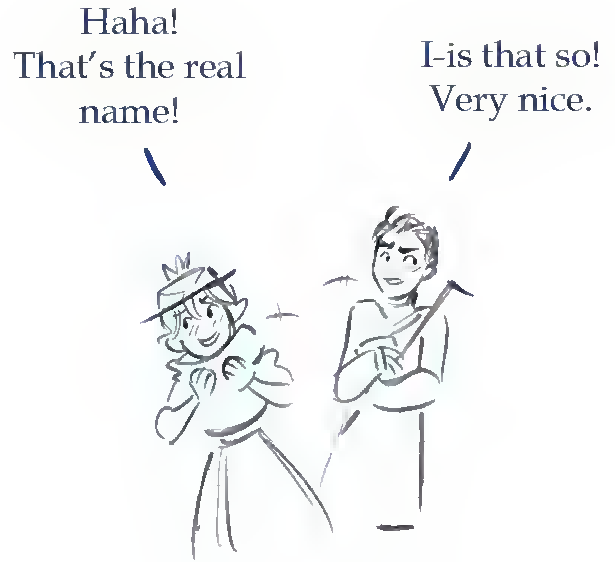
Yes, it's lovely.
I'm wearing cologne too.
Smell!

Sniff.

Carnations and... lemon.

What is it?

"Kiss
me".

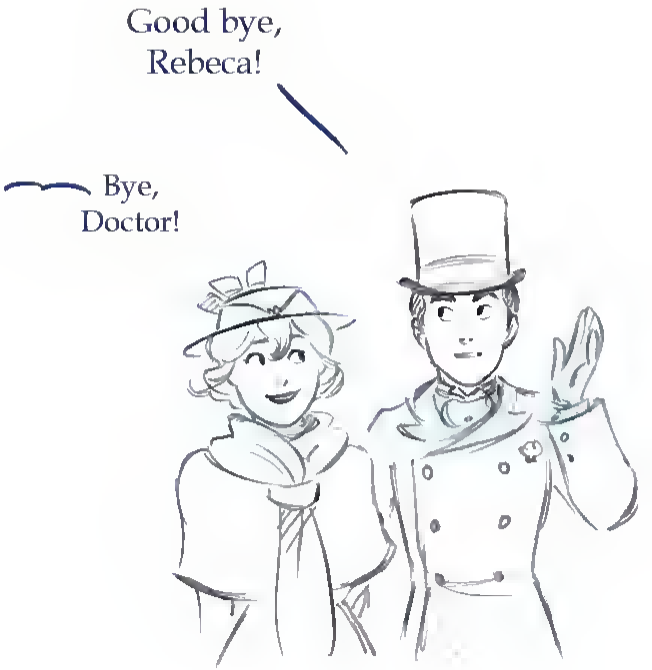

Haha!
That's the real
name!
I-is that so!
Very nice.

Shall we
go?

Yes, let me
put the rest
in water.

Hehe, I can explain this.
Don't mind me, I don't want to spoil the moment.
Here, your purse.

A magic maid, that's useful.


Good bye,
Rebeca!
Bye,
Doctor!

Are we
ready now?

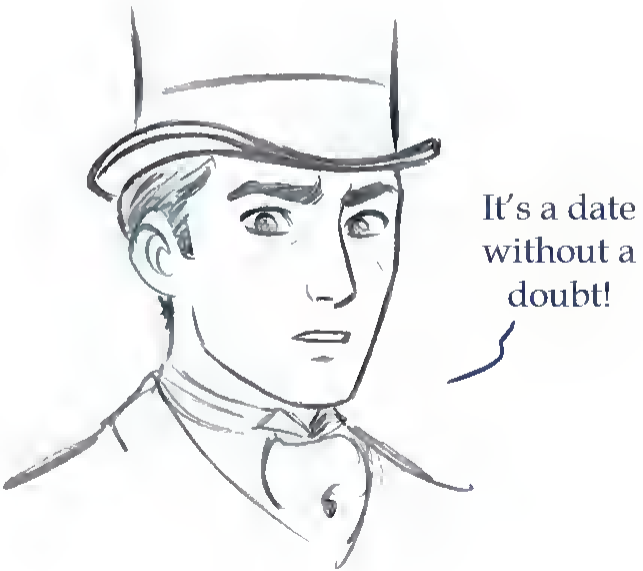
Absolutely.
We're still on time to find croissants in the Royal Cafe.
They're quite good, as well as their tea.

Listen, Cati, I'd like to apologize for...

... the ridiculous attire in which I showed up yesterday.

And also
for my abrupt
invitation.

Haha, I wasn't sure if this would be a date or not.

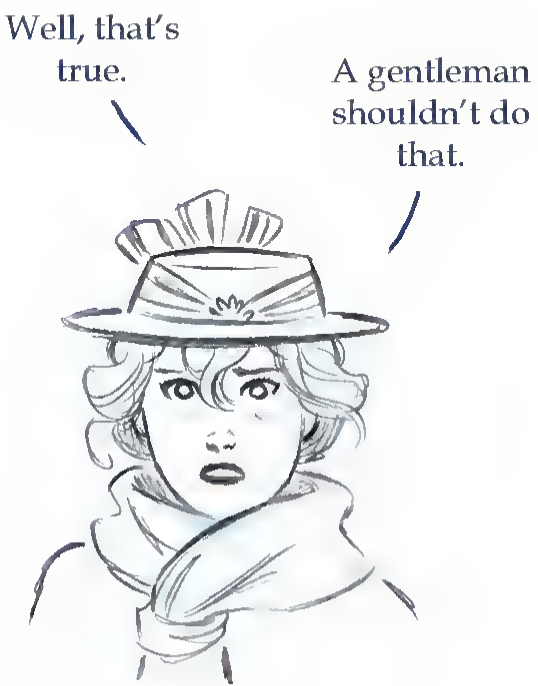

It's a date without a doubt!

Unless...
No, no, I'm happy this is a date.

Things couldn't continue as they were.

A gentleman cannot get carried away by his impulses...

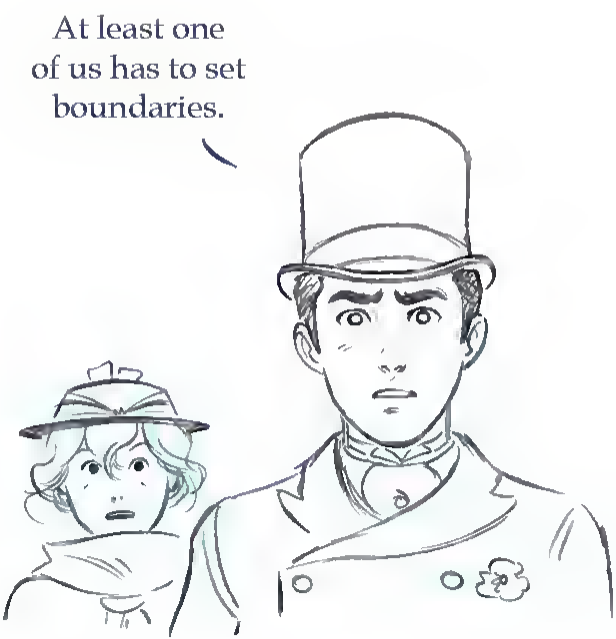
... to do things like hide behind the curtains at a party with a lady to...


Well, that's true.
A gentleman shouldn't do that.

Unless...
ahem...

... the *lady* agrees.

See? This is what I mean!
The situation is out of control! Normal people don't behave like this!


At least one of us has to set boundaries.

Is it too boring for you to have a regular date?

Of course not, especially if there are croissants involved.

I simply want to go step by step, like normal people–to get to know each other better.

What do you think?

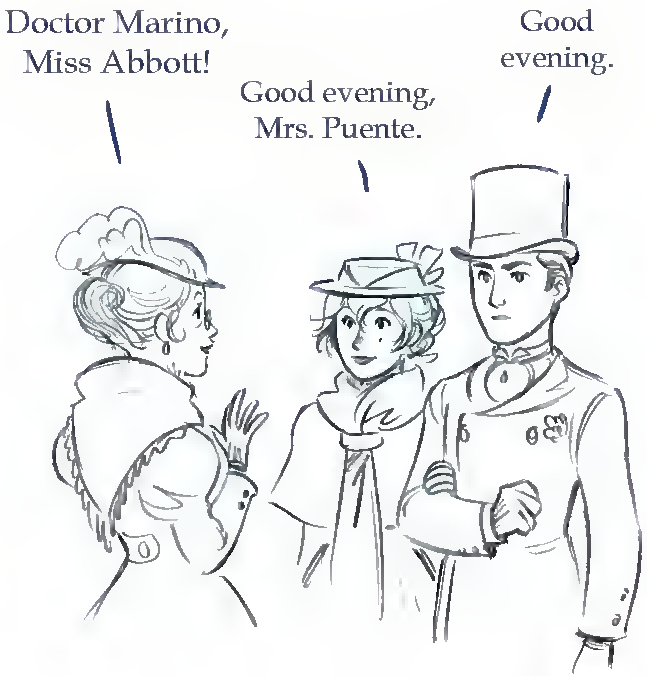
I agree. And I'll do my best to look like a *normal* person.

Hm...

So...
nice afternoon,
isn't it?

Will it rain tomorrow?
There's no need to talk about the weather!

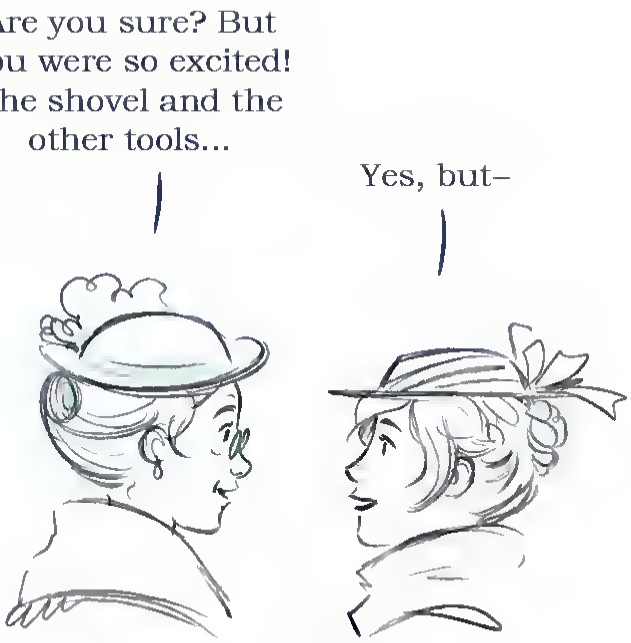
But, Andreas, we *normal* people care about the weather!
Also: colours. Do you know what's my favourite?
You're **impossible**!

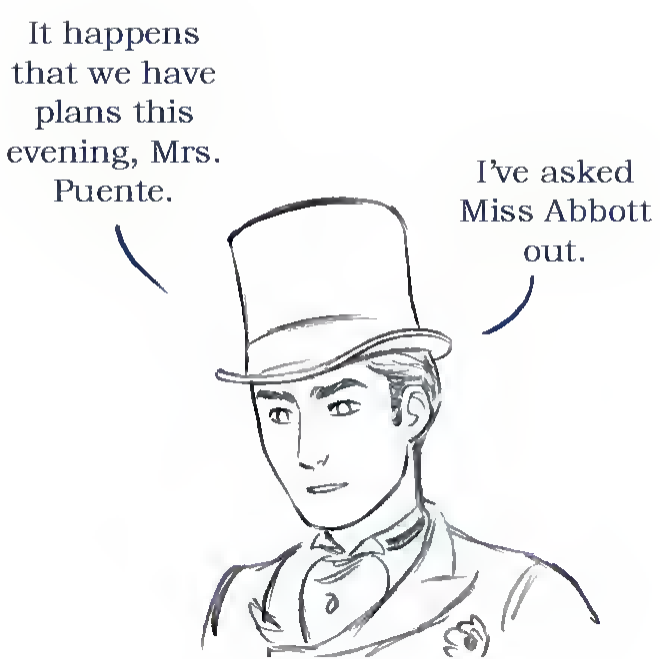

Doctor Marino, Miss Abbott!
Good evening, Mrs. Puente.
Good evening.

I'm so glad we crossed, Miss Abbott!

Come to my store, your package arrived this morning.

Ah, that's so kind of you, but I'll come on Monday, thank you.


Are you sure? But you were so excited! The shovel and the other tools...
Yes, but–


It happens that we have plans this evening, Mrs. Puente.
I've asked Miss Abbott out.

You asked her out?

Yes, as
in a *date*.

Pffhahaha!

Nice try,
Doctor!

I'll see you
another time
then.

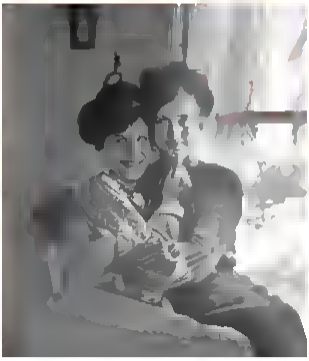
Good
bye!

How
rude!

Apparently some people left the boat after last week's chapter. It doesn't matter because YOU stayed. All of you.

And that's fantastic.

See you in a few days!



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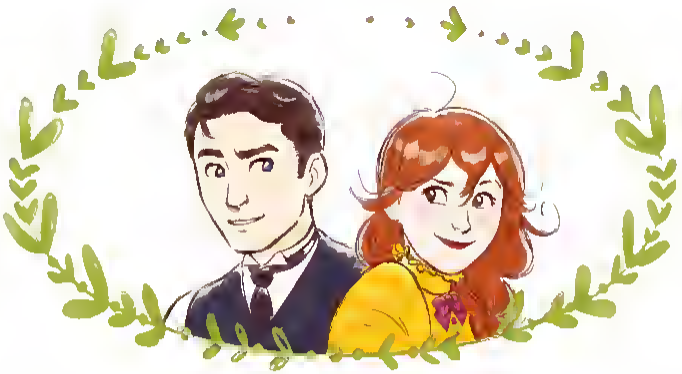

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